

Unfit Draftees To Be Treated

Army to Build Up Health of 200,000 Who Were Dropped in Draft.

WASHINGTON.—Plans for rehabilitating 200,000 of the 1,000,000 youths who have been rejected for military service because of physical or mental deficiencies were announced by President Roosevelt at his press conference recently.

The program will apply immediately to the 200,000 who were rejected by local draft boards as unsuitable of physical rehabilitation for the army. Local physicians and dentists will give the treatments, for which the federal government will pay as part of the cost of national defense. When in proper condition, the men will be inducted into the service.

50 Per Cent Inducted. While this is the immediate program, Mr. Roosevelt said that it was only the first objective, adding that something should be done to broaden lines, and declaring that he considered the existence of the conditions revealed by the selective service examinations as an indictment of America. Nearly 50 per cent of the 200,000 men examined for selective service were found unfit mentally or physically.

The President said that he would start a long-range program calling for cooperation of states, counties, cities, townships and individuals to remedy the underlying causes of the situation.

The plan for rehabilitating the 200,000 men was adopted on the basis of a report to the President from Brigadier General Hershey, director of the selective service system. The President could not estimate how much it would cost but said that it would be much less than if the men had been inducted and rehabilitation had been attempted.

Plans Under Way. The plans are already advanced for helping the 200,000 men. Those suffering from heart diseases, muscular-skeletal defects and mental and nervous disorders will be put of a special program. They will be examined by traveling boards of experts who will recommend curative courses for immediate treatment at government cost.

Of those rejected for the selective service act, 100,000 were found mentally unqualified for service, since they did not have the equivalent of a fourth-grade education. They will be given special instruction due to physical defects or mental and nervous diseases. The largest category of physical defects came under the dental classification, representing nearly 21 per cent of the whole.

Defective eyes were another major cause of rejection. "The recruit must have the privilege of having the services performed by his family physician or dentist in his own community. "The cost of this rehabilitation program will be borne by the federal government as a necessary part of our national defense program, and additional funds will be made available to the selective service system for this purpose."

Lathe Worker, 90, Marks

No Time Lost in Year

BELOIT, Wis.—It's something to be able to operate a high-speed lathe for a year with no "time-loss" around, especially for a 90-year-old worker.

But that's just the beginning of Edgar Arden Ball's record. He has just completed his eighty-first year self-support, and he's still going strong six days a week at the Fairbanks-Morse plant here, and keeping up with the rest of the "youngsters." Ball has never been late for work in 81 years, has good eyesight and still enjoys his work.

Fellow workers thought this record was worthy of a surprise party recently to help their oldest employee celebrate his anniversary.

Admits He Registered

Girl in Draft as Joke

PITTSBURGH.—A 21-year-old Carnegie Tech student who registered a girl for the draft last year was embarrassed to learn that draft authorities failed to appreciate the joke.

The prankster, James Boyle, 21, admitted he registered Miss Cecilia Christy, 19, of Swantonville, as a potential draftee and was released from consideration of the case by draft headquarters in Harrisburg.

Boyle had been sought for the last two months ever since County Draft Board No. 4 at Swantonville sent out a questionnaire to a "Sydye" Christy only to learn that "Sydye" was a girl. "Sydye" was Cecilia's nickname.

Suicides Are Reported

Among Jews in Berlin

BERLIN.—Reliable quarters report that a number of suicides have occurred in Berlin as a result of the new decree requiring Jews to wear badges displaying the Star of David.

Informants said that rules accompanying the decree also forbid Jews the use of rented vehicles, including ambulances, without police permission, the use of depot waiting rooms and restaurants.

Big Task Ended By Map Maker

Travels 300,000 Miles to Sketch Topographical And Climatic Works.

NEW YORK.—Two years of war have engendered, among other things, a great public interest in geography as manifested by the various map changes which have been made under military pressure. To Prof. John Hastings of the City College economics department, however, this transient interest must seem like the proverbial drop of water in the ocean when compared to the 20 years of his own map-making activity.

Dr. Hastings, who teaches economic and anthropological geography at the college, has made more than 1,500 topographical and climatic maps and has traveled 300,000 miles through every continent to make his own measurements and observations. If all his maps were tacked together, they would encompass an area of 2,500 square feet. He has also perfected his own method of mixing paints and has copyrighted a new method of depicting climate.

Completes Long Task. In the quiet of his classroom, the student of 2,000,000 men examined recently put the finishing touches on a map of Montana. This was not just another map, he said, indicating with a sweep of his arm the immense area of the continent against a wall or lay in neatly stacked rolls in a corner of the room.

This was the forty-eighth state map, on a scale of one inch to eight miles, and the completion of a project which had caused him to cross the continent 14 times. He wished, the professor said, he had enough wall space to enable him to display all the maps he had made but that would entail the use of 800 square feet. The college, he pointed out, could not spare the space so he guessed he'd have to continue showing the states individually.

Dr. Hastings came to City College in 1924 after having studied at the University of Berlin, at Munich, at Manchester, at Michigan, at Michigan, and at Johns Hopkins. He received his doctorate in 1928 from the University of Michigan.

Found Maps Inadequate. When he began to teach geography at City College, he found that the maps he had used were inadequate. This led to his prodigious work in making his own maps. He recalled that he had only 30 students in his first class, now he has nearly 100.

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Fight to Save Life Of Trumpeter Swan

Extinction of Rare Bird Is Threatened.

WASHINGTON.—In all of the United States there are only 211 trumpeter swans, a rare species that conservationists are trying to save. Alarmed over the slow rate of increase of the trumpeter swan, conservationists are asking sportsmen to give the same type of vigilant cooperation they gave in 1924 when the swan's chances of surviving the hunting season were precarious.

Sportsmen in Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Utah, where the swan are found during the hunting season, have been urged by the department of the interior to take special precautions to prevent the shooting of this bird—the rarest waterfowl in America.

Naturalists of the department, who have been watching the bird's struggles for existence, say that the interest aroused in 1924 stayed the threatened extermination of the trumpeter swan and resulted in an increase of the remaining birds. But naturalists are disappointed by the small gains made during the hunting season and are renewing vigilance is needed.

Normally there should be an annual increase of at least three eggs (baby trumpeter swans), but the actual increase has been substantially smaller than this expectation.

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Airplane Designer Now Can Laugh at Professors

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Woods was orphaned at 17 and worked to send himself through high school and night school. When his family's estate was settled he received \$1,500, and with this money attended the University of Michigan.

One day one of his professors detained him long enough to advise: "Woods, you'd better give up your aeronautical engineering and specialize in something else. You're just not cut out for it. You'll never make an aeronautical engineer. It's not in you."

After a series of positions with the Towle Aircraft company, the Detroit Aviation corporation, Lockheed and Consolidated, Woods went with Bell as a chief engineer when he was 20.

The Airacuda and Airacobra are rated as two of the most vicious fighting planes produced by American concerns. The Airacobra has been divided at more than 600 miles an hour.

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Stolen or Strayed—one male foxhound, black color with some lemon spots, 18 months old. Disappeared in the vicinity of the old Caldwell farm Christmas night. Information leading to his recovery will be rewarded. Nafe on collar.

H. P. Jones, Appomattox, Va.

ROUND & SQUARE DANCE and Floor Show, every Saturday night, at L. & N. Center, Appomattox, Va. with "ARIZONA RANCH BOYS," to 12 P. M. Admission 50c couple. Good order and a good time. (12-18-21p)

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